CITY OF MIAMI BEACH Office of the City Manager Letter to Commission No. 173-2005



To:

Mayor David Dermer and

Members of the City Commission

Date: June 29, 2005

From:

Jorge M. Gonzalez

City Manager

Subject:

GFOA FOR Distinguished Budget Presentation Award

The purpose of this LTC is to inform the Mayor and Commission that the Office of Budget & Performance Improvement has been awarded the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award and presented a Certificate of Recognition for Budget Preparation, for the third consecutive year, by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) of the United States and Canada for the FY 2004/05 Budget.

This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting. The award represents a significant achievement by the entity. It reflects the commitment of the governing body and staff to meeting the highest principals of governmental budgeting. In order to receive the budget award, the entity had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as:

- A policy document
- A financial plan
- An operations guide
- A communication device

The Government Finance Officers Association is a nonprofit professional association serving 14,000 government finance professional throughout North America. The GFOA's Distinguished Budget Presentation Awards Program is the only national awards program in governmental budgeting.

Please join me in recognizing the Budget Staff for all their work through out the year.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please feel free to let me know.

C: Kathie G. Brooks, Director, Office of Budget and Performance Improvement Jose Cruz, Budget Officer

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